REMARKS

Applicant thanks the Examiner for indicating that claims 7-15 are allowed. Claims 1-4 have been rejected in view of the prior art. With this amendment Applicant has canceled claims 1-4.

There being no further rejections, Applicant respectfully requests that this application be placed in condition for allowance.

If the Examiner has any comments or suggestions which would further favorable prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's representative by telephone to discuss possible changes.

Favorable action on the merits of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted For Applicant,

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SHOULD ANY OTHER FEE BE REQUIRED, THE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE IS HEREBY REQUESTED TO CHARGE SUCH FEE TO OUR DEPOSIT ACCOUNT 13-0410.